



PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Currie *et al.* **CONFIRMATION NO.:** 7878
SERIAL NO.: 10/696,994 **GROUP NO.:** 2823
FILING DATE: October 30, 2003 **EXAMINER:** Brewster, W.
TITLE: METHODS FOR PRESERVING STRAINED SEMICONDUCTOR
SUBSTRATE LAYERS DURING CMOS PROCESSING

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment to supplement the Amendment and Response filed along with the Request for Continued Examination on October 25, 2005. Applicants believe that no extra claims fee or other fee is due for this Supplemental Amendment to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional authorization to charge any fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 07-1700.

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Applicants' **Remarks** begin on page 7.